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1. IN SPEECH AT CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING JUNE 20, FRELIMO
PRESIDENT SAMORA MACHEL DESCRIBED ENEMY TACTICS IN EXPLOITING
AND PROMOTING DIVISION WITHIN FRELIMO RANKS. PERTINENT
EXCEPTS OF SPEECH ARE GIVEN BELOW:

(A)... "IMPERIALISM HAS HOPES HERE. IT HAS STRONG HOPES IN

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THIS GOVERNMENT ABOUT TO BE FORMED...WE ARE GOING TO BE

DIVIDED BY THE IMPERIALISTS IN THE GOVERNMENT (PRESIDENT SAMORA MACHEL AGAIN HITS THE TABLE WITH EVEN GREATER FORCE)... IMPERIALISM WILL SEEK, AS IS ITS NATURAL TACTIC,...TO KNOW THE TASTES OF EACH ONE OF US HERE AND TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS KNOWLEDGE. IT WILL USE EVERYTHING. IMPERIALISM WILL USE ALL METHODS, BASE METHODS, TO DIVIDE US IN THE GOVERNMENT...IT WILL SEEK TO KNOW 'YOU, WHY WERE YOU NOT MINISTER IN SUCH MINISTRY?' THE ENEMY WILL SAY TO YOU 'YOU, WHY WERE YOU APPOINTED DIRECTOR OF THE BANK AND NOT MINISTER? WHY WERE YOU ONLY APPOINTED DIRECTOR OF THE RAILROADS...WHEN YOU HAVE SO MUCH TALENT*...IT IS NOW THE ENEMY WHO APPOINTS MOZAMBIQUE'S LEADERS...WHO HAS PITY FOR YOU...THE ENEMY SEEKS TO PROMOTE CONTRADICTIONS IN OUR MIDST...THERE WILL BE MANY OFFERS...BUT WE DO NOT WANT OFFERS FOR OUR MINISTERS. YEAR-END GRATUITY?...NO, WE HAVE A SALARY...WE WILL BUY. INVITATIONS TO DINNERS AT HOMES? NO, NO. WE HAVE OUR DINNERS. AMBASSADORS IN OUR HOMES? NO. WE WILL GO TO A HOTEL. NOT IN OUR HOUSES, HOUSES OF MINISTERS. NO, NO THIS NOT THE PLACE FOR RECEPTIONS."

(B) "...WE HAVE TWO TYPES OF ENEMIES: THE INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL ENEMY. THE IMMEDIATE INTERNAL ENEMY IS HE WHO IS NOT SELECTED TO THE GOVERNMENT, WHO WILL HAVE NO GOVERNMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY; BUT WHO FOUGHT TEN YEARS, FOUNDED FRELIMO. HE IS OUR ENEMY. HE WILL IMMEDIATELY BECOME OUR ENEMY. DURING FIVE, SIX, TEN YEARS, HE WAS MEMBER OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE; BUT DOES NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE GOVERNMENT--HE WILL RAPIDLY ALLY HIMSELF WITH THE ENEMY. THE MINISTERS OF COMMERCE, AGRICULTURE, FINANCE, DEVELOPMENT WILL HAVE MANY FRIENDS. THESE ARE OUR ENEMIES. THEY ARE DOORS. WE WILL NOW CREATE DOORS SO THAT IMPERIALISM CAN REALLY DIVIDE US (MACHEL HITS TABLE AGAIN AND AGAIN)..."

(C) "...AN AMBITIOUS PERSON IS A CRIMINAL AT THE SAME TIME. HE CAN KILL FOR HIS AMBITION. HE CAN ALLY HIMSELF EASILY WITH IMPERIALISM...TO PROMOTE HIS INDIVIDUAL INTEREST...WE WILL FIND COMRADES ALSO WHO WILL SABOTAGE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLANS... PROVIDE OUR PLANS TO THE ENEMY...IF WE HAD NOT HAD THE COURAGE (IN THE PAST) TO UNMASK...AND NEUTRALIZE THESE ELEMENTS, WE WOULD NOT HAVE HAD VICTORIES..."

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WM COMMENT: MACHEL'S SPEECH SUGGESTS THAT CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE WILL BE PURGED AND SOME OF THE CURRENT FRELIMO-APPOINTED MINISTERS LOSE THEIR POSITIONS IN NEW GOVERNMENT OF PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE. ALSO, IF MACHEL'S REMARKS ARE ANY INDICATION OF FUTURE POLICY, IT SEEMS APPARENT THAT ANY PERSONAL OFFERS TO MINISTERS WILL BE VIEWED WITH GREAT SUSPICION (E.G., LEADER GRANTS) AND THAT CURRENT EMBARGO ON SOCIAL CONTACT BETWEEN FOREIGN REPRESENT-

TATIVES AND THE FRELIMO LEADERSHIP WILL EITHER BE EXTENDED,
OR AT LEAST BE DIFFICULT, AFTER INDEPENDENCE.
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